



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicants: SOBOLESKI, D.A. *et al.*  
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**AMENDMENT and REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on June 15, 2006, setting a one month period for reply. Applicants wish to amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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